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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

OGAWA, Masashi, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/917,897

Confirmation No.: 2025

Filed: July 31, 2001

For: METHOD OF MEASUREMENT OF PROTEASE AND THIN MEMBRANES USED  
FOR SAID METHOD

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed January 27, 2003. The examiner set a three month period for the response, making the due date for response April 27, 2003. As April 27, 2003 falls on a Sunday, the due date for response is automatically extended to Monday, April 28, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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